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	In re Application of J. Bruce Pitner et al.	
	Application Number 10/039,799 Filed 01/04/02	
	For Binding Protein As Biosensors	
	Group Art Unit 1654	Examiner R.R. Teller

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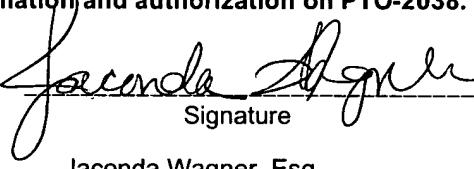
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